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HOW TO LIVE IN ENGLAND AND LIKE IT

BY

HERBERT L. MATTHEWS

Former New York Times London Correspondent

Recently returned from a lengthy tour of duty in Britain, HERBERT MATTHEWS will tell just what it's like to live in peace-time England. His talk will be spiced with anecdotes. His new book, "Assignment in Austerity", written in collaboration with Mrs. Matthews, will be given away as a door prize. Also speaking with Mr. MATTHEWS on conditions in England will be Chaim Raphael, Senior Economic Information Officer in the U. S. for the British Government, who will talk on; "Current Economic Controls in Britain": Sean O'Loughlin, former faculty member at Oxford and now Acting Director of the Reference Division, British Information Services, in New York, whose topic will be; "Social Services and the Welfare State", and Mrs. Abbie Bromley, Oxford graduate who is now in New York with her doctor-husband after six years as a housewife in Great Britain, who will tell "How the Housewife Sees Life in Britain."

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:O F F I C I A L :

Hospitality to Foreign Correspondents Committee Meeting . . Clubrooms..Tuesday, June 13, 5:45 PM
Bulletin Committee Meeting Clubrooms..Thursday, June 15, 5:45 PM
Correspondence Fund Members will meet Friday, June 16 at 12:15 PM at the Town Hall Club,
123 West 43rd Street

:.NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS:.

ACTIVE: Ralph Nicholson, Director, Office of Public Affairs, High Commissioner's Office for Germany. England, June to October, 1920; October, 1920 to August, 1921, in Berlin, as correspondent for Philadelphia Public Ledger; April 1927 to March 1928, General Manager of Japan Advertiser, Japan. Proposed by RALPH H. MAJOR, JR.; seconded by HENRY GELLERMANN.

ASSOCIATE: Joseph Ruffner III, public relations department, the Borden Company. Manila, May through November, 1946, for Philippine Broadcasting Corporation, INS, Reuters; accredited to AFWESPAC as INS Manila bureau chief. Proposed by RICHARD J. H. JOHNSTON; seconded by BERT BRANDT.

SEARCH FOR CLUB HOME AUTHORIZED BY GOVERNORS

Committee Set Up to Launch Project
For Press Building

By unanimous vote at its June 6 meeting, the Board of Governors took the first step toward establishment of a permanent home for the Overseas Press Club in larger quarters or a building of its own. It authorized President LOUIS P. LOCHNER to appoint a five-man committee to explore possibilities of renting or purchasing adequate facilities in mid-town Manhattan. The committee will be urged to seek quarters offering such facilities as office space, restaurant, lounges, library, bar, meeting rooms, etc.

CHECK THE DATE: FEDERAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATOR OSCAR EWING WILL ADDRESS THE CLUB ON JUNE 28.

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PAN AMERICAN WORLD AIRWAYS

Following action on miscellaneous unfinished business, the President read a report which cited Club progress along all fronts. The Program, Radio and Television, Hospitality to Foreign Newsmen, House, Book and Inter-American Committees have been working especially hard, HUCHNER said. Sickness and absence from the city of several committee chairmen have handicapped their efforts, however. Present at the Board of Governors meeting, for the first time in Club history by blanket invitation, were committee chairmen able to attend. All made brief reports on their activities. They were ALLEN CHELLAS, representing CORNELIUS J. RYAN, Chairman of the Admissions Committee; DICKSON HARTWELL, Book Committee; WAYNE RICHARDSON, Bulletin Committee; DANIEL VAN ACKER, Foreign Correspondents Hospitality Committee; REAVIS O'NEAL, Public Relations Committee; and MATTHEW HUTTNER, Radio and Television Committee.

Other Board of Governors action included

1. Authorization for the President to appoint an Awards Committee
2. Launching of a membership campaign
3. Instructions to the Committee on Freedom of News and Information to investigate the possibilities of collecting data for a "white paper" contrasting working conditions of foreign correspondents in the U.S. with American newsmen abroad.
4. Adoption of a motion authorizing the President to appoint a three-man committee to help Defense Department officers redraft rules and regulations governing war correspondents.

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CHAIRMEN NAME MEMBERS OF THREE OPC COMMITTEES

Membership of three standing committees was announced this week by the respective chairmen. Bulletin Committee Chairman WAYNE RICHARDSON reported his group will include: VICTOR LASKY, CHARLES

ROBBINS, JULIET BRIDGMAN, J. NORMAN LODGE, LEO BRANHAM and RALPH H. MAJOR, JR., Bulletin editor. Composition of the Public Relations Committee, headed by REAVIS O'NEAL, is as follows: FARLEY MANNING, O'CARROLL COLVIN and BEN WRIGHT, Vice-Chairmen; KENNETH PORTER, JOSEF DINE, JOCK LAWRENCE, BERNARD ESTES, JEWEL DE BONILLA, GEORGE KENT, HAL LEE, JOHN LE VIEN, EUGENE LYONS, ANDREW ROONEY, CORNELIUS J. RYAN, EGBERT WHITE, JOSEPH WILLICOMBE, MARIAN SANFORD, ANNA MARIE JUNGSMANN, KENNETH GINIGER and PAUL ELLIOT-SMITH. Other members may be added to this committee, O'NEAL stated.

Meanwhile, the Committee on Hospitality to Foreign Correspondents, which last week conducted its first project, announced the following Members would serve during the year; DANIEL VAN ACKER, Chairman; SVEN ERIK BERGH, CHARLES GILLETT, RUTH KARPFF, EMIL LENGYEL, WILLIAM ORMEROD, KEN PORTER, ROBERT STROTHER, DEREK RUSSELL, DICK THOMAS, BEN WASHER, BEN WRIGHT. Additional names will be announced next week.

LAST CALL FOR BOOK PRIZE: More than 75,000 words of anecdotes have already been contributed to "Inside Inside: the Best Stories of Foreign Correspondents", our own book now in preparation. Prizes of \$150, \$100 and \$50 will be awarded the best anecdotes mailed on or before June 17, 1950. Overseas Members must mail by July 1 to be eligible. This book promises to be unique and highly successful. Every Member will be proud to have his story in it. Send yours now!

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BRANHAM's CPA-audited report showed Club receipts for May (from dues, television shows, Bulletin advertising, luncheons, dinners and Club parties) totaled \$3,568.49. Disbursements for the month totaled \$2,766.62, leaving a net gain of \$801.87.

The figures for May, 1949, were: receipts--\$2,545.17, disbursements--\$3,068.31, net loss--\$523.14. The May, 1948, figures were: receipts--\$1,952.61, disbursements--\$2,421.13, for a net loss of \$473.52.

The Board approved the Treasurer's proposal that \$5,000 of Club funds be placed in a savings account earning the usual 2 percent interest.

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"NEW TURKISH REVOLUTION"
TO BE TOPIC FOR SPEAKERS
ON CLUB TELEVISION SHOW

Advances in the status of women and the standards of living of the people of Turkey in general will be among the subjects reported on by three experts when they are guests on the Overseas Press Club's TV program next Sunday. The guests are Miss Phoebe Clary, who spent 23 years in Turkey, and for several years was executive director of the Service Center operated by the YWCA in Istanbul; HAL LEHRMAN, author and lecturer, chief of the OWI in war-time Turkey, author of "Russia's Europe"; and JOSEPH M. LEVY, for 20 years correspondent for the New York Times in Turkey and the Balkans. (WCBS-TV, Channel 2, Sunday, June 11, 5-5:30 PM, EDT).

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Count Ilis Tolstoy, after being pursued from the Bahamas, to Florida and back to New York by the OPC's Radio and Television Committee, suddenly materialized in time to make a last-minute appearance on the Club's television show about Tibet last Sunday.

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Among the books received recently by the Overseas Press Club Library are the following:

"You and Your Heart" by Drs. Marvin, Wright, etc., published by Random House

"World Enough and Time" by Robert Penn Warren, published by Random House

"The Deadly Parallel" by George Backer, published by Random House

"Tensions that Cause Wars" by Messrs. Allport, Freyre, Gurvitch, etc., published by the University of Illinois Press

"The Love-Making of Max-Robert" by ROBERT SHAPLEN, published by New American Library

"Native Son" by Richard Wright, published by New American Library

"The Oregon Trail" by Francis Parkman, published by New American Library

"Healthy Babies Are Happy Babies" by Josephine H. Kenyon, M.D., and Ruth K. Russell, M.D., published by New American Library.

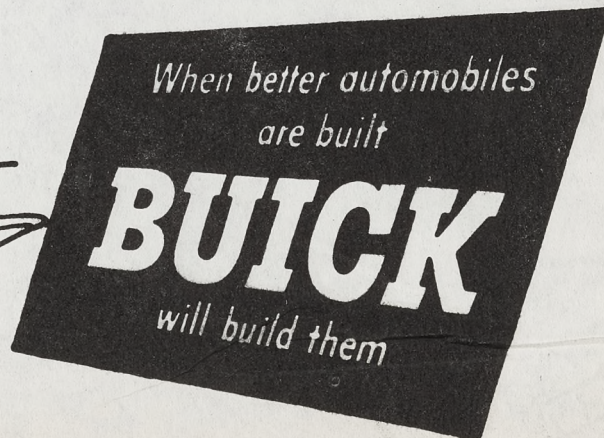
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MICHAEL STERN, Fawcett Publications correspondent in Europe, is in New York for a breather, before heading back to Rome. Will be here a couple of weeks and is reachable at the Fawcett offices. He's just been named editor and publisher of Scienza Illustrata, Italy's top-selling monthly publication, Italian edition of Fawcett's Mechanix Illustrated... A. T. EEELE, ALLEN RAYMOND and MARGARET PARTON, all of the New York Herald Tribune, were among newsmen honored last week by Long Island University. They received plaques as winners of the third annual George Polk Memorial Awards (no connection with OPC's George Polk Memorial Award--Ed.)...

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WHEN HE RETURNED to the office from covering the South Amboy munitions blast several weeks ago, New York Timesman RICHARD JOHNSTON set off a minor explosion himself. While on the job interviewing survivors and rescue workers, JOHNSTON kept finding a microphone stuck between him and the person he was questioning. He soon discovered the mike belonged to a tape-recorder which, in turn, belonged to a local New Jersey radio station. JOHNSTON was slightly irritated when the radio men swiped the results of his interviews. But he blew up when he learned one South Amboy recording began: "You will now hear a New York Times reporter questioning..." Later JOHNSTON registered a formal complaint against the alleged breaches of ethics. A report of the incident appeared in Editor & Publisher.

CORRESPONDENT: Member going to Europe in a few weeks will take assignments for France, Italy, Austria or Yugoslavia. Telephone OPC Headquarters, Longacre 4-0174.

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INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE
ENTERTAINS ECUADOR EDITOR
IN YEAR'S FIRST MEETING

Carlos Mantilla, editor of El Comercio of Quito, Ecuador, last week was guest of honor at a luncheon meeting of the OPC's Inter-American Committee at the apartment of Chairman HAL LEE. Mr. Mantilla was president of the Fifth Inter-American Press

Conference held in Quito last July, and is president of the Sociedad Interamericana de Prensa. Jorge Mantilla, Mr. Mantilla's brother and a delegate to the UN, was also present, as were Thomas L. Kerney, manager of the Trenton Times and Julio Garzon, editor of La Prensa of New York; they are, respectively, treasurer and secretary of the 1950 Inter-American Press Conference.

President LOUIS P. LOCHNER greeted the distinguished Ecuadorean editor, as did SANFORD GRIFFITH, Chairman of the Program Committee, DANIEL VAN ACKER, Chairman of the Committee on Hospitality to Foreign Journalists and Janice Griffiths, Executive Secretary. Members of the Inter American Committee attending the meeting were JEWEL DE BONILLA, HILDA LLODIO, EDWARD ALMEN, FRED LEIGHTON and TED EDIGER. Other committee members are ELSIE McCORMICK, DON GLASSMAN, STANLEY ROSS and RAY JOSEPHS (whose name was inadvertently omitted from the committee listing published in last week's Bulletin).

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PEOPLE TODAY, the pocket-sized Newsweek baby edited by ALLEN CHELLAS, hit newstands in several test cities on June 6. First issue features Faye Emerson on the cover, combines some 125 photos with 8,000 words in 64 pages measuring four-and-a-quarter inches by six...GERALDINE FITCH last week appeared on Mary Margaret McBride's radio show with Quentin Reynolds, and yesterday was a guest on WEVD's "University of the Air"...After a successful bout with his ulcer, JACK GLENN is now out of the hospital and back on the job -- making a new "March of Time" flicker and prexying for the Screen Directors Guild...

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SURVEY ON OCCUPATIONS
OF PRESS CLUB MEMBERS
RELEASED BY PRESIDENT

Of the 702 currently-active Members enrolled in the Overseas Press Club, some 335 are affiliated with newspapers as editors, writers, photographers, a preliminary survey of OPC rosters has shown. In releasing the occupational break-down this week, President LOCHNER said an intensified campaign to recruit qualified Members would shortly be launched. The figures, he said, would assist Members in explaining the Club's composition to prospective applicants. Results of this preliminary survey follow:

Members affiliated with newspapers as editors, writers, etc.,	335
Members affiliated with radio and television	59
Members affiliated with magazines.	102
Members now working as free-lance or Members retired	95
Members with the motion picture industry	11
Members connected with schools and universities	5
Members connected with the State Department or private industry	25
Members working in the field of public relations	70
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THE CLUB offers condolences to HENRY GELLERMANN on the death on June 2 of his father, Mr. M. S. Gellermann...Program Magazine's June issue devotes its cover to a photograph of HENRY C. WOLFE...FRED B. BARTON is spending the month of June at Foxboro, Mass., "the old family stamping ground"...DON HUTH, recently transferred to the AP Bureau at Manila as acting chief, writes: "Send along ten OPC application blanks. I think I can fill 'em. I've had three correspondents ask me already about joining the Club." DON had scarcely landed in Tokyo from New York when he was reassigned to the Philippines...JOSEPH WURZEL of Look Magazine has been seriously ill of a heart ailment for 10 days. His condition was reported improved on Wednesday, June 7 ...

NICHOLSON CLARIFIES
PRESS CAMP PROBLEMS
IN BULLETIN INTERVIEW

American correspondents in Western Germany will undergo no hardships when new directives of the U. S. High Commissioner's Office take effect on July 1. Only one major change in "standard operating procedure" is planned. This information was given The Bulletin in an interview recently with Ralph Nicholson, director of the Office of Public Affairs, HICOG.

Since early this year, the Overseas Press Club has expressed concern over billeting and messing facilities offered Germany-based newsmen. In February the Club sent a representative to Washington to protest an alleged move to close the Frankfurt and Munich Press Camps. Later advices from the scene indicated that, while an existing Frankfurt camp had been shuttered at correspondents' requests, another had opened to replace it. Further information also was received that newsmen in Munich could use regular Army hotel accommodations although the press camp there was locked because of lack of use.

Now The Bulletin has learned from Mr. Nicholson details of new procedures to be initiated on July 1.

On change in existing regulations, Nicholson stated, involves housing. Effective July 1, neither the U. S. nor Germany will subsidize residential facilities. This means that employers must assume the burden of paying rentals for individual quarters. Meanwhile, itinerant correspondents visiting Germany may stay at officers' hotels for slightly higher rates than those currently authorized. Nicholson said this move was part of a plan to place housing facilities in Germany on a self-supporting basis.

Among privileges correspondents will continue to enjoy are rights to buy in commissaries, transportation on military trains, medical and dental services, schools for correspondents' children, motor pool facilities, Quartermaster liquor depot admittance and teletype facilities via PIDs.

RALPH H. MAJOR, JR., Editor